



2012-2013 application

Thanks for applying to be on the Seattle Youth Commission for the 2012-2013 year! The most important quality of a Youth Commissioner is a strong desire to work for positive change on behalf of young people in Seattle. No prior experience with local government is necessary, but you do need to be between the ages of 13 and 19. Priority is given to ensuring representation of as many schools, demographic groups, and neighborhoods as possible.

Full Commission meetings will take place every Wednesday from 4:00 to 5:30 pm at City Hall (600 4th Ave) during the school year, and every other Wednesday during the summer. To be on the Commission you'll need to be able to commit to the program from June of 2012 to June of 2013, including two optional but highly recommended confirmation hearings with the City Council, at 2:00 pm on May 17th and 9:30 am on May 21st.

In addition to this application form, in order for your application to be considered you'll also need to have two people who know you well complete reference forms on your behalf (online and print versions are available at seattle.gov/syc/apply.htm). April 20th is the cutoff date to submit an application, and April 24th is the cutoff date to submit your references.

Please complete this application as soon as you can and return it in person to Sol Villarreal, Mayor's Office, 600 4th Ave, 7th floor, Seattle, WA 98104; by mail to Sol Villarreal, Mayor's Office, PO Box 94749, Seattle, WA 98124; by fax to 206-684-5360; or via a scanned image file to sol.villarreal@seattle.gov. You'll also need two references to go to seattle.gov/syc/apply.htm and either fill out an online reference form or submit the paper version by the methods above before your application will be complete.

If you have any questions, please contact Sol Villarreal at 206-427-3062 or sol.villarreal@seattle.gov.

I have read and understood the program requirements above.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name: _____

Home phone: _____

Cell phone: _____

E-mail address: _____

Home address & zip code: _____

High school (if applicable): _____

Current grade (circle one): Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior Other/not in school

Age: _____ Gender: _____

Please list and describe any activities or groups that you're currently involved with or that you plan to be involved with next year:

1. Why do you want to become a member of the Seattle Youth Commission?

2. What issues are you most passionate about in your community, and why?

3. What are your greatest strengths, and in what areas would you like to improve?

4. As a Youth Commissioner, you'll spend a lot of time working in groups. What's your most comfortable role in a group?

As mentioned above, being a Youth Commissioner requires a significant time commitment. Will you be able to attend meetings each Wednesday during the school year from 4-5:30 pm at City Hall (in downtown Seattle)?

YES NO I'M NOT SURE

If you circled "NO" or "I'M NOT SURE," please explain below:

Will you need any special arrangements to be able to participate in Youth Commission meetings?

What times are you available to come to City Hall for an interview on the following dates? Circle all that apply.

Note: interview slots will be 30 minutes long, and will be chosen based on the preferences you indicate here.

Monday, April 23 rd :	3:30-4:00 pm	4:00-5:00 pm	5:00-6:00 pm
Friday, April 27 th :	3:30-4:00 pm	4:00-5:00 pm	5:00-6:00 pm

Do you have any preferred interview times from the ones you've selected above?

How did you hear about the Youth Commission?

Is there anything else you'd like to share?

You can attach additional material if you'd like, or you can E-mail it to sol.villarreal@seattle.gov.